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TECHNOLOGY MISSION ON OILSEEDS, PULSES, MAIZE AND OIL PALM .
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has restructured and implemented the Technology Mission on Oilseeds, Pulses, Maize and Oil Palm;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the new better technology introduced for increasing the production;

(d) whether the Union Government provide assistance under ISOPOM to various States;

(e) if so, the criteria for allocation of assistance;

(f) the details of the funds provided to various States during 2004-05, Scheme-wise; and

(g) the extent to which the Government has been able to obtain its aim so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a)&(b): Government of India had introduced a Technology Mission on Oilseeds in 1986 with a view to increase the production and productivity of oilseeds and to make the country self reliant in edible oils. Subsequently, pulses, oil palm and maize were brought under the Technology Mission. Th Mission was discontinued during Xth Plan. However, a Centrally Sponsored Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM) incorporating the erstwhile schemes namely the Oilseeds Production Programme(OPP), National Pulses Development Project (NPDP), Oil Palm Development Programme (OPDP) and Accelerated Maize Development Programme (AMDP), is being implemented with effect from 1.4.2004 in major oilseeds, pulses, maize and oil palm growing States.

(c): Production technologies such as application of micronutrients (sulphur, zinc, boron etc.) in deficient soils, microbial nutrition through Plant Growth Promoting Rhizo-bacteria (PGPR) and nitrogen fixing rhizobium have been promoted under ISOPOM for increasing the production of oilseeds, pulses and maize crops.

(d)&(e): Government of India provides financial assistance to States on 75:25 sharing basis for various production inputs to ISOPOM implementing States in order to promote improved production technologies and to increase the production of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize crops. State-wise allocation of funds is made on the basis of area under cultivation of oilseeds, pulses, oil palm and maize and contribution of individual States to the total production of these crops, besides, past performance of the States in respect of physical and financial achievements.

(f): The details of financial assistance provided to the States for implementation of ISOPOM during 2004-05 are given in the Annexure.

(g): The country has achieved a production of 261.03 lakh tonnes in oilseeds, 133.80 lakh tonnes in pulses and 141.30 lakh tonnes in maize as against the production targets of 262.00, 153.00 and 135.50 lakh tonnes respectively during the year 2004-05. As regards oil palm, an area expansion of 7721 ha has been achieved as against the targeted area of 10000 ha during 2004-05.

ANNEXURE

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO THE STATES UNDER INTEGRATED SCHEME OF OILSEEDS, PULSES, OIL PALM AND MAIZE (ISOPOM) DURING 2004-05

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	States	Assistance provided
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3559.97
2.	Assam	4.00
3.	Bihar	145.00
4.	Chhatisgarh	625.00
5.	Gujarat	1883.00
6.	Goa	10.00
7	Haryana	497.00

8. Himachal Pradesh 40.00
9. Jammu & Kashmir 85.00
10. Karnataka 2155.00
11. Kerala 5.00
12. Madhya Pradesh 2925.00
13. Maharashtra 1040.00
14. Mizoram 107.00
15. Orissa 455.00
16. Punjab 52.50
17. Rajasthan 2000.00
18. Tamil Nadu 990.00
19. Tripura 5.00
20. Uttar Pradesh 785.00
21. West Bengal 260.00
Total 17628.47